

R. L. Flowers, the present directors of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, and their associates and successors be and they are hereby declared, created and constituted a body politic and corporate under the name and style of "Oxford Orphanage," and as such shall have perpetual succession and adopt a common seal, which they may alter at pleasure, and shall be capable in law to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded in all courts of the State.

Incorporation.

Corporate name.

Corporate powers.

SEC. 2. That said corporation, "Oxford Orphanage," shall succeed to all of the property and rights of "The Oxford Orphan Asylum."

Succession to property and rights.

SEC. 3. That said corporation shall have power to lease, purchase, take and receive, by gift or devise, and hold in fee simple or by lesser estate or estates all manner of lands, tenements, rents, annuities and other personal property and hereditaments, and shall further be capable in law to take, receive and possess all moneys, stocks, bonds, books, goods and chattels which may have been or may hereafter be given to it or to any person or persons for it by deed, devise, bequest or otherwise. A misnomer of the corporation in any deed, will or other conveyance shall not have the effect to invalidate the conveyance if the corporation shall be therein described with sufficient certainty to identify it, or if the intent of the grantor, donor, or testator to make the said corporation the beneficiary shall sufficiently appear on the face of the instrument or otherwise.

Power to hold property.

Gifts, or devises not invalidated by misnomer.

SEC. 4. That said corporation shall be capable in law to bargain, sell, convey and transfer any and all lands, tenements, hereditaments and personal property held or owned by the corporation when the grant, devise, gift, or other conveyance does not otherwise provide.

Power to convey property.

SEC. 5. That said corporation shall have full power and authority to make and establish such by-laws, rules and regulations for the government and conduct of the orphanage in all its departments, as may be established by it as may seem proper and necessary and as are not in conflict with the Constitution and laws of this State and of the United States: *Provided*, the said corporation shall at all times be under the jurisdiction, control and direction of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina (A. F. & A. M.).

By-laws, rules and regulations.

Proviso: control and direction of Grand Lodge.

SEC. 6. That the business of the corporation which is a purely charitable and educational one, shall be the continuance of the present institution known as The Oxford Asylum and its incorporation, without the change of purpose or identity for the maintenance and support of an orphanage or a home for indigent white orphans of tender years, citizens of the State of North Carolina, to be selected and received as the directors, hereinafter provided for, shall determine without discrimination as to sex, religious denominations or localities within the State and the support and education of such orphans, including their religious, moral, mental and physical training and their instruction in the useful arts.

Business of corporation.